THE PAUPER OF PARK LANE

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CHAPTER XLVI.

To Learn the Truth. The mystery by which old Sam Stat-

white-enameled door was inexplicable. door yielded to his touch and swung a doubt. aside for him to pass beyond. It closed been placed upon it to prevent any metal-

While Charlie watched the great finanwhose aid he had sought had been unremitting in their vigilance.

Leonard Lyle had been followed quickly hall door sounded by the extraordinary flight of Dr. Petrothe fire, whipped off his glass from the might not save Samuel Statham from an

But the girl had preserved the secret what was said. of the confession confided to her by her

The two men, brother and lover, who house in Park lane really was, were at efforts always led them into a cul-de-sac. At every turn they seemed foiled and bafiled. And was it surprising when it was considered the power of Samuel Statham and the means at his command for the preservation of a secret?

Charlie felt that he was being watched hourly by one or other of those spies who sometimes gave such valuable informa-tion to the head of the firm. Some of these secret agents of Statham he knew by sight, but there were others unseen

Even though Max and his friend were able to enter unheard and secrete themselves before the place was locked up by old Levi, yet there was that white door barring their passage to the mystery be ond. Many times they discussed the cossibilities, and each time hesitated. Charlie was sorely puzzled regarding the key of the iron door. Sometimes it was undoubtedly used, sometimes not.

At last one evening, after both men had dined at the St. James, of which Max was a member, they resolved upon a bold move. Charlie suggested it, and the other

rooms to put on a suit of dark tweeds, he went to Charlie's chambers, where the various implements were produced and the latest decree of fashion. laid upon the table. It w

Rolfe, having sent Green to the other end of Jermyn street out of the way, end of Jermyn street out of the way, drew out the whisky decanter from the tantalus stand poured out two "nege" terials just now for older women to tantalus stand, poured out two ('pegs' with soda, and drank;

"Success to the elucidation of old Statham's secret. Then, carefully stowing the variou

articles in their pockets, they slipped down into the street and were out of sight before the inquisitive Green had re-Arrived in Park lane, after a hasty darkness save the hall, where the elec-

tric lamp showed above the fanlight. Old Sam was probably in his study, smoking his last cigar, for the shutters were that night closed, as they sometimes were. The shutters of the basement were also closed behind their iron bars, while at the upstairs windows all the blinds were carefully drawn.

Indeed, the exterior of the house pre sented nothing unusual. It was the same there were many who on going up and wire or buckram band. down the thoroughfare afoot or on the was a mystery in himself, and of his house many weird things were alleged. Thrice the pair passed and repassed.

At the corner of Deanery street stood a constable, and while he remained there it was injudicious to attempt an entry with a latchkey. So they strolled back in the direction of the fountain, conversing in undertones. Max glanced at his watch, and found

that it wanted a quarter to 11. At last they crossed the road and passed the door. All seemed quiet. At that moment the only object in sight was a receding motor 'bus showing its red tail-light. Not a scul was on the pavement.
"All clear!" cried Charlie, scarce above

a whisper, as he slipped up the two or three steps, followed by his companie That moment was an exciting one. Next second, however, the key latch, and without a sound the wards of

the lock were lifted. In another moment the pair stood within the brightly-lit hall, and the door

was closed noiselessly behind them. Standing there, within a few yards of the door of the library, where from the smell of tobacco smoke it was evident that old Sam was taking his ease, they were in imminent risk of discovery. Be-sides, Levi had a habit of moving without sound in his old felt slippers, and might at any moment appear up the sairs

from the lower regions. Instinctively Charlie glanced upstairs toward the locked door. But the next second he motioned his companion to follow, and stole on tiptoe over the thick Turkey carpets past the millionaire's door and on into a kind of small conservatory which lay behind the hall and was

Though leading from the room behind the library, it was a fairly good spot as a place of hiding, yet so vigilant was old Levi that the chances were he would come in there poking about ere he retired

The two men stood together behind a bank of what had once been greenhouse blants, but all of them had died by neglect and want of water long ago. The frock. This need not necessarily be an range of pots and dried stalks still remained forming an affectual beginning and affect and want of water long ago. The first affect and want of water long ago. The discovered, although rumor suggested that more than one person could throw the affect and want of water long ago. The first affect and want of water long ago. The first affect and want of water long ago. The first affect and want of water long ago. The first affect and want of water long ago. The first affect and want of water long ago. The first affect and want of water long ago. The first affect and want of water long ago. The first affect and want of water long ago. The little home duties threaten disaster to her language are affected water long ago. The little home duties threaten disaster to her language are disastered by the little home duties threaten disaster to her language are disastered by the language are disastered by the little home duties threaten affect mained forming an effectual barrier be-hind which they could conceal themselves. It may be quite a picturesque one. The

with his master. Upon the table was a

ham sometimes passed beyond that humorous. Whenever he left the library to ascend Levi, the humble, even cringing, servant the stairs, Charlie Rolfe stole quietly out should place himself upon an equality behind him, and listened. Sometimes he with his master. That he was devoted distinctly heard the key in the lock; at friendship he had never suspected. There to old Sam, Charlie knew well, but this others it sounded as though the closed was a hidden reason for it all, without

The two intruders watched with bate always with a thud, as though felt had breath, neither daring to make a sound. They saw Levi, his cigar stuck in the while Charlie watched the great finan-cler's every movement, Max was unceas-not catch. His manner had changed, ing in his inquiries regarding Marion. and so had Sam's. From gay the pale Advertisements had been published in had suddenly grown grave. Upon the the "personal" columns of various news-millionaire's brow was a dark shadow, papers, and the private inquiry agents such as Charlie, who knew him intimate-whose aid he had sought had been uppe-

The whole affair from beginning to end changed, as though giving serious adnow showed the existence of some power-ful hand which had directed and ren-knit brows and deep attention. Then, dered the mystery beyond solution. The with a suddenness that caused the two strange reappearance of Jean Adam and watchers to start, the electric bell at the

vitch and Maud. The latter had only an table, and in a single instant became the know of working girls why buy clothing hour before she had disappeared into grave family servant again, as with a in that manner and are never out of space made some remarkable confession quick gesture of his hand he left the debt. Before the winter garments really to Marion-a confession which might or room to answer the summons at the door. In a few moments he returned, closing the door quickly after him, so that whoever was in the hall could not overhear

Approaching his master, he made some friend, and, preferring shame and mis-judgment, she in turn had disappeared, millionaire clerched his fist and struck judgment, she in turn had disappeared, millionaire clenched his fist, and struck whither no one knew. ness; that was evident from his manner. Then Sam, with a resigned air, shrughad now united their forces to solve the ged his shoulders, paced the room in for themselves what the secret of the ant with his eyes flashing with anger. Again Levi placed his thin hand on the their wits' ends. Their inquiries and their old man's arm, which calmed him into

Then the grave-faced old servant went out, and an instant later ushered in a woman, all in black-a woman whom, in an instant, both Max and Charlie recognized. They both stood watching, breathless-

ooted to the spot.

It was beyond human credence.

TO BE CONTINUED TO-MORROW

FASHION'S DECREES

Bell-shaped skirts have vanished Small and wasp-like waists have gon ut of fashion.

Shoulders slope as obstinately as those of the early Victorian heroine.

Such sleeves prove most trying to any one who does not possess a sylph's figure. was at once ready and eager.

So after Max had been round to his old Roman Forum.

FOR ELDERLY WOMEN.

whom a touch of violet, a gown of mauve, of garnet, rich blue, or deep green

It is a season for black and white, and violet and gray combinations, says Har-per's Bazar; and for grays, which are particularly distinguished for the really silver-haired woman.

Among the ash, smoke and elephant walk, they strolled slowly along by the park railings past the house. All was in just off the mole tone, there is an endless variety to select from according to the complexion of the wearer.

> Woman Her Own Hatmaker, No new hat?

Old one all wrong? Oh, well, there is yet hope.

Last summer's hat may serve. First the rim must be ripped from the

Clean and press the brim, and raise the as any other mansion in Park lane. Yet crown and inch or more by means of a Or, if the hat has no crown, make o

motor 'buses jerked their thumbs at it buy a wire foundation. Cover it with and whispered. The house had earned net, then with several layers of tulle and a reputation for mystery. Sam Statham lastly sew flowers, or foliage, or both

GIRL'S SERVICEABLE APRON.



One of the indispensable accessories of Through the long French window of the apron sketched may be made in either their noble owner, but to this day we beroom adjoining the light shone, and high or open peck and with or without lieve the mystery of their disappearance from Harper's Weekly.

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FROM WOMAN'S POINT OF VIEW

There never was a time when furnishing a home from cellar to garret could be done more quickly, economically, and artistically than at the present time. The arts and crafts' products are lovely and restful to body and sight, and the installment system of payments obtains nearly everywhere. I do not usually advocate a burden of debt, but I have been learning a few things from families decanter of whisky and two glasses, and, which have bought homes and put forth judging from the amused countenances of both men, Sam had been relating to Levi men who have begun business careers both men, Sam had been relating to Levi men who have begun business careers something which struck the other as on borrowed capital and from home lovers who have rented furnishings with the It was curious, to say the least, that privilege of paying for them by the month.

Instances of foreclosures on mortgages of all kinds are continually cropping up, but they are only a small percentage of the men and women who accumulate property on the installment plan. They are generally the kind who do not save for the weekly or monthly payments side of his mouth, lean back and thrust before satisfying their other tastes. his hands deep into his trousers pockets. Sometimes sickness or misfortune upsets the most carefully laid plans, and about everything is swept away, but these accidents are incidental to any business. There are hosts of people who would not save money, but will economize in every way to pay an obligation like an insurance premium or a debt. It is an undisputed fact that if we waited till we had the money with which to meet our desires we would never know them save in day dreams.

Purchasing perishable property on installments is not wise. It seems like throwing away money to pay it out for things which have ceased to exist. I belong to them they are planning for fresh ones to match the new season. If sickness overtakes them, or if they get out of work, they have debts to worry They can save no money for a

I happen to know something of the methods employed by a house maid who has to divide her wages with her widowquick agitation, and turned upon his serv- ed mother. On her meager share she manages to look very nice at all times, for her mother does her sewing and not only repairs her garments, but makes them in the first place. The girl is careful, and that means a great deal, and when by chance she has no situation there is a home to shelter her, for the mother makes one for two young children. There are three others to help sup-The mystery, as they afterward discov-ered, was even greater than they had ried, and another sister who has lived in one family for ten years.

Naturally there is no money to squander, so the workers are careful about expenses. But the home has been purchased on weekly payments and is now secured to the mother. I had an opportunity to view another acquisition of devotees of the installment plan. The fur- gowns. nishings of an extremely artistic flat were bought from a department store which was glad to make satisfactory terms of settlement. There were no surplus pieces, but quite enough for com-fort and beauty, and every article possessed good wearing qualities. A hom would not have been possible under cash The rage for tunics threatens to make payments, for the pair came from humbl a fashionable drawing-room look like the surroundings and had nothing to start with but health, youth, courage, and Trotting skirts now hang very straight, steady employment for the man. That Sleeves made in one with the bodice are was a creditable capital, I must admit, but not the equivalent of hard cash, and iple wanted a home in which to begin the new life. Credit has its virtues. BETTY BRADEEN.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR GIRL

By HELEN ROWLAND.

A man always considers himself mighty clever when he can glide through the shallows of love-mak ing without foundering on the rocks

The kiss which the average man bestows upon his wife is no more inspiring than a pat on the head. Choosing a husband is like picking out the combination on a lot tery ticket; your first guess is apt to be as good as your last.

Because a man has more money than brains, it is no sign he's

A girl who has a brother has a advantage over one who hasn't; she gets a working knowledge of men without having to go through the matrimonial inquisition in order to acquire it.

There is nothing so easy for a man as forgetting; he scarcely takes time to throw a shovelful of dirt on the grave of a dead love before he is off pursuing a new one. To a man, love is only a side dish; to a woman, it's the whole

It is easy for a man to love his neighbor as himself, when his neighbor is a rich and pretty

BURIAL OF CROWN JEWELS.

Scottish Treasure that Was Hidden Beneath Pulpit of Parish Church. From the Westminster Gazette. The curious story of the search among azine.

tombstones for the stolen regalia revealed Dublin Castle jewels recalls the interesting fact that the Scottish crown jewels, which mysteriously disappeared at the time of the Cromwellian invasion, were buried for safety. There were located in Dunottar Castle, which was besieged by Cromwell, and on the eve of surrender Lady Ogilvie, wife of the commander of the beleagured force, managed to elude the besiegers and get the jewels out of the castle

They were buried beneath the pulpit in the parish church, and the place where they were hidden was never revealed till the Restoration. Ogilvie was rewarded with a baronetcy, and Keith, who misied Charles II, was made an earl.

The mysterious disappearance of the Dublin state jewels has had one curio is parallel. Some years ago a casket containing jewels of the value of £13,000 dis-

chairs had been pulled up, with a small coffee table between them. On one side closing 10 cents in stamps and address- strolling by as the tablet was going up,

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A WORD FROM PARIS

"Height, more height," is the decree. The sleeves are extra long and tight-fit-

The sugar-loaf is the latest in millinery The Botticelli, an inverted flower pot, is unning it a close second.

Chenile is more popular than silk fringe. The one-color scheme still prevails in Embroidery and lace are playing a wonderful part in trimming.

Soutache, worked into designs, is allied with lace. Soutache also trims waistbands, the seams of gowns and guimpes.

SHE WEPT IN EVERY OFFICE. Tearful Young Woman's Method of Getting Magazine Subscribers,

From the Kansas City Star, She was a young woman, well dressed, age. While not a striking beauty, in the ed and served two terms or eight years.

pler words, she would do. hand she held a magazine, and in the terms. Five-William Henry Harrison, back portion of her hair was a lead pen- Taylor, Lincoln, Garfield, and McKinley

"I would like to have you subscribe to

the lawyer the many interesting depart- and Lincoln his second inauguration ments, special articles, absorbing fiction forty-two days, so that Tyler and John stories, and other things which the maga- son each practically served a full term zine contained.

care for it. I'll admit that the magazine is a good one, but I have enough now, and I don't care for it" The lawyer had hardly finished his sen-

tence when the young woman began to weep copiously. 'Don't mind me," she said, "I just can't help it. I am trying to earn a living. I am soliciting subscriptions for a magazine which is worth \$1 a year if it is worth a cent. Every one tells me the same thing that you do. I am discouraged. I am despondent. I don't care what happens

And then the miss wept some more Of course, under these rare conditions even a lawyer's heart will turn. He produced a silver dollar and subscribed on

"Don't cry little girl," said the lawyer, "Be brave; work hard; persevere; every-thing will come out all right in the end." And the little girl left the office with a

This story would have been all right if it were not for the fact that Bones, the doctor, had entered the lawyer's office some minutes later to tell him of a strange case that had transpired in his office. The case had to do with a young woman of average good looks who was soliciting subscriptions for a dollar mag-

"I was never so affected in my life, in the minutes of evidence heard by the viceregal commission on the loss of the and the girl actually broke down in tears. I never saw any one so discoun

"Did you subscribe?" said the lawyer. "Certainly I did," said Dr. Bones.
"So did I," said the lawyer, "and she

An investigation proved that the young woman of crying propensities had taken thirteen subscriptions on that floor, which would have been a fair day's work, even

NEW LOOSE COAT,

Though period dominates the modes of the moment, there are not wanting vogues of the nine States were of the original that are more a harmonious conglomera- thirteen. the Cromwellians by stating that they were in the possession of the exiled The new loosely hanging coats and sin The new loosely hanging coats and sinuous skirts that are so fashionable in Paris now and that have been called with singular appositeness "Weary Willies," are not trammeled by any law, hisappeared under circumstances of the torical, or pictorial. They are, as a rule, One of the indispensable accessories of greatest mystery from the house of the very girl's wardrobe is a cover-all apronulting the part of the property of the part of the par

Felicitous.

A New England man, who flatters himself upon his aptness in saying the proper thing at the proper time, recently revsited his old home in Verment, whither he has not gone in ten years or more. Among those he met during the first day of his visit was a coquettish spinster, You study the author of this play after

who, with a simper, said:
"I'm Miss Mullins. You don't remember me, of course."

CHAT BY A SCHOOLMASTER

Interesting Discussion About Presidents of the United States.

Nearly One-half Were Born in Virginia or Ohio-Great Majority Were Lawyers,

One hundred and sixteen years ago the first President of the United States was elected. Twenty-five Presidents have been elected since then, making the average term for each, four years and eight ton Macy & Co. Fagan and Byron. The Village Choir, &c. Buy Seats To-daj. Had each been elected for a single term

of four yeears, with no re-election, we would have rad twenty-nine Presidents to date. However, there would have been but twenty if each one had been re-eleccommon sense, she was what is often Eight-Washington, Jefferson, Madison, called good looking. In other and sim- Monroe, Lincoln, Grant, Cleveland, and McKinley-were re-elected. All but Lin-She entered the lawyer's office. In her coln and McKinley served their full

-died in office. The Vice Presidents who succeeded these this magazine," she said. "It is \$1 a Presidents served seventeen years, an year and one of the very best magazines average of three and a half years, or almost a full term each. Harrison survived Then she turned the pages and showed his inauguration only thirty-one days, Arthur and Roosevelt served three years miss," said the lawyer. "I don't and a half each, and Fillmore two.

Based upon past experience, there one chance against four that a President will not serve his full term. All but Washington, William Henry Harrison, and Grant were lawyers, al though few, if any, attained to great emi

Monroe, Hayes, Garfield, Benjamin Harrison, Arthur, McKinley, and Roosevelt had some soldierly fame. Washington, Jackson, William Henry Harrison, Taylor, and Grant were elected

nence in their profession.

primarily on account of successful military achievements. Both Adamses, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Van Buren, Buchanan, Lincoln, Cleveland, McKinley, and Roosevelt were

chosen by reason of distinguished politi-Polk, Pierce, Hayes, and Garfield were nominated as compromise candidates, be-cause of the close contests between more prominent aspirants.

All were Anglo-Saxon, except Monroe, Polk, and Buchanan, who were of Gaelle origin; McKinley, of Celtic; Pierce, of Frankish; and Van Buren and Roosevelt,

Two elected from Tennessee bore praccally the same name, Jackson and John

Seven-Washington, Jefferson, Madison Monroe, William Henry Harrison, Tyler and Taylor-were natives of Virginia; as was Lincoln's father, who resided there only a short time previous to the birth of is distinguished son.

Five-Grant, Hayes, Garfield, Benjamin Harrison, and McKinley-were natives of hio; three-Jackson, Polk, and Johnsonof North Carolina; three-Van Buren, Arthur, and Roosevelt-of New York; two-the elder and younger Adams-of Massachusetts; Pierce, of New Hamp-hire; Buchanan, of Pennsylvania, and Cleveland, of New Jersey.

Nearly one-half of the twenty-five were born in Virginia or Obio; the other thirteen in seven other States. All but two

"Rain" in Moving Pictures.

From Popular Mechanics.

Moving picture films are practically spoiled long before their life of usefulness should end because of the "rain" which blots out their clearness. This injury comes from the continuous winding and and in pulling the film up tight these particles scratch, hence the "rain."

A Probable Example From Illustrated Bits.

The Actress-In this new play I'm sup posed to die from a broken heart. Now how am I to know how a person with a broken heart behaves? he sees the first rehearsal.

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